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House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. DEGETTE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

January 3, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DIANA DEGETTE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Holy God, into Your hands we commend the efforts and accomplishments of the 117th Congress. The Members, officers, staff, administration, Capitol Police, and all who have endured long hours of heartfelt and intense labor now lay their contributions before You for Your blessing.

Receive the work of our hands that by Your hand our Nation would be upheld in the pursuit of a more perfect union.

Bless the outcomes of heated debate and passionate argument that by Your righteousness, what is right in Your eyes would prevail.

Sanctify both the profound and the mundane moments of these last 2 years that we would be assured that Your grace plan has been advanced, whether because of or despite our best efforts.

Hear our prayer, O Lord, for this past Congress that the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts will have been acceptable in Your sight, our rock and our redeemer.

We pray this in Your sovereign name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 6 of House Resolution 1529, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from California (Mr. PETERS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. PETERS led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation from the House of Representatives:

CONGRESSMAN MIKE DOYLE,
EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT,
Pennsylvania, December 16, 2022.

Speaker NANCY PELOSI,
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI, This letter is to inform you of my intention to resign my seat in Congress effective December 31, 2022.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve with you and to represent the good people of the 18th Congressional District of Pennsylvania.

Best wishes to you and your family in all your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

MIKE DOYLE,
Pennsylvania, 18th District.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that in light of the resignation of the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. Butterfield) and

the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. Doyle), the whole number of the House is 429.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO THE COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 2 of the Civil Rights Commission Amendments Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 1975), and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, of the following individual on the part of the House to the Commission on Civil Rights for a term expiring December 15, 2028:

Mr. Mondaire Jones, White Plains, New York.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 4 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV,

EC-6356. A letter from the Chair, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting the Board's report on competitive sourcing efforts for FY 2022, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 501 note; Public Law 108-199, Sec. 647(b); (118 Stat. 361), was taken from the Speaker's table, referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

[Submitted on December 31, 2022]

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York: Committee on Oversight and Reform.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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117th Congress Activity Report Committee on Oversight and Reform (Rept. 117-699). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Submitted on January 1, 2023]

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia: Committee on Education and Labor. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Education and Labor During the 117th Congress (Rept. 117-700). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Submitted on January 2, 2023]

Ms. WATERS: Committee on Financial Services. Report on the Activity of the Committee on Financial Services for the One Hundred and Seventeenth Congress (Rept. 117-701). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. PALLONE: Committee on Energy and Commerce. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Energy and Commerce for the 117th Congress (Rept. 117-702). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. DELAURO: Committee on Appropriations. Committee on Appropriations Annual Report of Committee Activities One Hundred Seventeenth Congress (Rept. 117-703). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Natural Resources 117th Congress (Rept. 117-704). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. DEFAZIO: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Summary on the Activities of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for the 117th Congress (Rept. 117-705). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. WILD: Committee on Ethics. Summary of Activities One Hundred Seventeenth Congress Report of the Committee on Ethics (Rept. 117-706). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia: Committee on Agriculture. Report of the Committee on Agriculture on Activities During the 117th Congress (Rept. 117-707). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Submitted on January 3, 2023]

Mr. NEAL: Committee on Ways and Means. Report on the Legislative and Oversight Ac-

tivities of the Committee on Ways and Means During the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress (Rept. 117-708). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MCGOVERN: Committee on Rules. Survey of Activities of the House Committee on Rules for the 117th Congress (Rept. 117-709). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mrs. BEATTY:

H.R. 9705. A bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to require the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to establish goals for the use of diverse investment advisers, brokers, and dealers in investment management agreements related to the Board of Governor's unusual and exigent circumstances authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. BEATTY:

H.R. 9706. A bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to require Federal Reserve banks to interview at least one individual reflective of gender diversity and one individual reflective of racial or ethnic diversity when appointing Federal Reserve bank presidents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. GOHMERT:

H.R. 9707. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish a block grant program to provide incentives to underage mothers to stay in school and remain off of welfare, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. GOHMERT:

H.R. 9708. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit former employees of covered health agencies from serving on the board of entities involved in development and research of covered vaccines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana:

H.R. 9709. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to issue regulations, policy, and guid-

ance to ensure the safety of the aviation system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mrs. BEATTY:

H.R. 9705.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mrs. BEATTY:

H.R. 9706.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. GOHMERT:

H.R. 9707.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. GOHMERT:

H.R. 9708.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana:

H.R. 9709.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clauses 3 and 18 of the United States Constitution

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 9281: Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK.

H.R. 9508: Mr. BANKS, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. FALLON, Mr. VAN DREW, and Mr. JACKSON.